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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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SUBJECT.

Relative rank of Messrs. A. R. Raghavachar, Senior Assistant Auditor Mysore Railways and K. R. Krishnaswamy Iyengar, Assistant Comptroller, in the

To

The Comptroller, Mysore Govt.
No 3786 dated 31-12-1924.

States that Government consider that there is no reason to modify the order

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I do not think the orders passed require re-consideration. Some of the statements made by Mr. Raghavachar such as that Mr. K.R.Krishnaswami Iyenga is a "second class officer", that he belongs to an "inferior"service, are quite unwarranted. The Auditor's analogy of I.C.S. officers in the British Indian Account Department is also out of place. The particular rank which an Assistant Comptroller occupies in the list of his Department is of value only for promotion to the next higher appointment of a Deputy Comptrolller. I think that places of Deputy Comptrollers should be filled up by selection and not by sheer seniority and officers, whether recruited from the body of Assistant Commissioners or promoted from the subordinate ranks of the Account Department, should be equally eligible for such promotion. As a matter of fact the same principle now governs promotions of Assistant Commissioners of either schedule to the grade of Senior Assistant Commissioners. It will not be in the interests of the Department to give a preferential claim to Assistant Commissioners who happen to be working in the Account Department.

Mr. K.R.Krishnaswami Iyengar possesses qualifications in no way inferior to those of Mr. Raghavachar and the restoration to him of the place in

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in the list of Assistant Comptrollers fixed with reference to his pay is no more than what is due to him.

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First Member
thro' Chief Secretary.

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Is there a case made out for the Government taking action

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If the request is considered favourably the matter will have to be referred to Council

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Hon'ble the Dewan

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Clause v of the schedule).

Relative rank of Messrs. A.N.Raghavachar, Senior Assistant Auditor, Mysore Railways and K.R.Krishnaswami Iyengar, Assistant Comptroller in the Account Department.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

12th October 1921.

Chief Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council. 25.10.21

First Member of Council. 14.10

Second Member of Council. 21.10.21

Third Member of Council. 21/10

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Subject. - Clause v of the schedule.

Relative rank of Messrs. A. N. Raghavachar Senior Assistant Auditor, Mysore Railways, and K.R.Krishnaswamiengar Assistant Comptroller, in the Account Department.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

I am for Comptroller ship reserved for civilians only for new cadre has. Sir Datta's scheme however has been - Teachapt upon later needs by us

Financial Secretary with Compliments for audit on the point referred to

25/7/11

I place in the file an extract from Mr. Datta's note relating to the proposal for the creation of an additional Deputy-Comptrollership in the Comptroller's office. (Para 44).

Mr. Datta's proposal was approved by Govt. in their order dd 26th February 1913 with the modification that the scale of pay of the Deputy Comptrollers was fixed at 600-40-800 instead of in two grades as proposed by Mr.Datta.

Neither in Mr. Datta's scheme nor in the Government order is there any condition laid down

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down for either of the two Deputy Comptrollerships being held exclusively by a Civilian or a Non-Civilian Assistant Comptroller.

Chief Secretary
with compliments.)

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a pension. This may be approved be included in the agenda for the next meeting

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Subject. -

Relative rank of Messrs.A. N. Raghavachar, Senior Assistant Auditor, Mysore Railways and K.R.Krishnaswami Iyengar, Assistant Comptroller, in the Account Department.

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Dy. No. 3524

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The Comptroller's letter does not seem to afford any reason to modify the order already passed

The cases of the two officers mentioned in the general letter from this Dept. are not analogous - one has to work his luck in the Audit Dept, while the other has to work in the Accounts Dept

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Draft submitted for approval

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Draft approved by Dewan
29/12/21.

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2	To The Comptroller, Mysore Dasht No. 3786/C.B dt. 31. 12. 21. With reference to Sl 1 supra states that Govt consider that there is no reason to modify the order already

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To

M.N. Krishna Rao, Esq., B.A.,

Financial Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

B a n g a l o r e.

Through

The Auditor, Mysore Railways and Comptroller to Mysore Govt.

Sir, F

With reference to G.O. No.Fl.1653-6/G.F.18-20 dated 10-9-21 stating that Government agree with Comptroller in placing Mr. K.R. Krishnasamiengar above me, I beg most respectfully to be -- permitted to represent the following facts for reconsideration by Government.

1. Mr. K.R. Krishnasamiengar was appointed as non Civil Service permanent Assistant Comptroller under Mr. Datta's Scheme of re-organization on 14-6-1918, vide G.O.No.Fl.7767/G.F.22-17-4 dated 14-6-1918, up to which time he was an Offg. Assistant Comptroller of the P.W.D. Branch, his permanent place being that of only a Chief Superintendent in the grade 200-15-350, a 2nd class officer but I have been a fully qualified permanent Assistant Commissioner and Assistant Comptroller so far back as in the year 1917 (I had fully qualified myself by the Departmental Examination of the Government of India held in May 1917) i.e. more than a year before Mr. K.R. Krishnaswamiengar was appointed as permanent Assistant Comptroller.

2. Subsequently on the representation of Mr. K.R. Krishnaswamiengar that he was loser financially by the promotion from the grade of Chief Superintendent (200-15-350) to that of an Assistant Comptroller (250-50/3-450) Government were pleased to order in their G.O. No.Fl.2732/G.F. 2-18, dated 10-12-1918 that the officer may be allowed to put in only half the period of qualifying service viz., 18 months to earn his next increment of Rs.50/-, which he

has accordingly drawn with effect from 14-12-1919 while my next class promotion fell due on 10th February,1920, which accordingly was sanctioned by Government.

3. As I do not think it is the intention of Government that an officer who has been granted a concession to save him from pecuniary loss should be allowed to use that concession as a lever to supersede another who is equally, if not better, qualified and who has had a relative standing of seniority when the first was appointed and in view of the fact that the - - promotion given to Mr. Krishnaswamiengar was mainly to compensate him for his loss and in view further of the fact that, even as a civil servant, I have spared neither pains nor work to qualify myself for the accounts department, I beg to request that Government may be pleased to reconsider their decision and - - declare me as the senior on the just merits of the case.

4. I am also given to understand that the question having been once referred to the Comptroller has been decided by him in my favour.

I believe my superior officers can testify to the fact that I have not been wanting either in pains or in capacity or in work to give my best to Government and as I do not think that it is their intention to penalize me for being a member of the Civil Service, whose promotion is earned only in the general line with sanction of Government, I request that I may be declared as Senior in the Accounts Department to Mr. K. R. Krishnaswamiengar who draws the same rate of pay as myself but only a few months earlier mainly because Government have granted him a concession to save him from loss involved by his promotion from the grade of Chief Superintendent (permanent) to that of Assistant Comptroller (permanent), which was only a matter of grace and not of right or justice, as the promotion from an

inferior to a superior class was itself a benefit requiring no further compensation.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. Rajagopalachar

Bangalore,
15th September 1921

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Representation of Mr. A.N. Raghavachar, Senior Assistant Auditor, Mysore Railways, Bangalore

Forwarded for favourable consideration.

Mr. Raghavachar, having been a Civil Service Assistant Comptroller ought not, following the procedure in British India, to be superseded by a Non-Civil Assistant Comptroller. The enrolled Officers never take precedence over an I.C. S officer. Further there is the additional fact that Mr. Raghavachar was already an Assistant Comptroller when Mr. K.R. Krishnaswami Iyengar was only a Chief Superintendent, an admittedly lesser appointment. The fact that some pecuniary compensation was granted which had unfortunately the effect of raising the pay above the class in which Mr. Raghavachar then was cannot in my opinion give any room for - - supercession. The place has to be determined minus the benefit given casually for circumstances other than work as an Assistant Comptroller.

Mr. Raghavachar has been doing excellent work and does not merit this unintentional supercession which would only damp his spirits and make him lose his interest in his work. It must also be brought to the notice of Government that he is the only officer now in service who has received a systematic training in Railway Accounts and it would be difficult to replace him either in the place that he now holds or to get another to take the place of the Auditor in the natural course of events. If Government however do not see

see their way to revise the order already issued, I would suggest that he be removed from the cadre of Assistant Comptrollers altogether and treated solely as belonging to Railways and given a special grade The recommendations on the Railway Committee just published also support the view that the Railway Accounts Staff should be separated from the General Financial Department and that the Audit Officer should be second in command at Head Quarters.

Auditor, Mysore Railways.

19.9.21

No. R.3737 Bangalore Dated 19th September 21.
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To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Financial Department, Bangalore.

Through the Comptroller to the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

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To the Financial Secretary to Government

If this decision referred to by Mr. A.R. Raghavendra in his representation (para 4) is the one contained in the Comptroller's reply to Mr. K.R. Krishnamurthi Iyengar's letter, which was an endorsement to the latter's representation to Govt, I may say that that decision was also considered while submitting my opinion to Govt.

Offg Comptroller
23.9.21.

Extract from Para 44 of Mr. Datta's note re "Proposed grading of Gazetted Officers".

At present there are only two superior appointments in the Comptroller's Office viz., that of the Deputy Comptroller and the Comptroller and if these are held by comparatively young men the prospects of others rising to the same will be very remote. I would therefore convert one of the Assistant Comptrollerships to an additional Deputy Comptrollership. Then, there will be two Deputy Comptrollerships one of them being for charge of the -- Railway accounts and the other for charge of the Treasury and -- ordinary Public Works Accounts.

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1 Deputy Comptroller on Rs 500-40-700

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& 31/12/21

Dear Sir,

With reference to the representation of Mr. A.N.Raghavachar, Assistant Comptroller, on the subject of his rank as Assistant Comptroller relatively to Mr. K.R.Krishnaswami Iyengar, which was forwarded to the Financial Secretary with Mr.Bishtopantl Badami's memo of the 23rd September 1921, I am desired to state that Government consider that there is no reason to modify the order already passed in the case. (G.O.No.Fl.1653-6/G.F.18-21-8 dated the 10th Sept. 1921). The cases of the two officers are not analogous. Mr. Krishnaswami Iyengar is an officer of the Accounts Department and has to look to that Department for his chances of promotion, while Mr. Raghavachar belongs to the general line and has chances of advancement both in the regular line and the Accounts Department. As far as seniority in the Accounts Department itself is concerned the Government consider this must follow the dates from which they have been drawing their present salary I am to request that the position may be explained to Mr. Raghavachar.

28.12.21

Yours sincerely.

T.Satyaraj Chetty, Esq., B.A,
Comptroller, Mysore Government.